Cancellation of land allotted to schools

3022. SHRI MOTIUR RAHMAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether DDA has cancelled the land lease of four schools for not providing free education to the children of weaker section of the society and directed schools to vacate and handover the possession of land back to DDA;

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether the DDA has taken over the possession and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether large number of schools in Delhi are not providing free education to poor children; and

(d) if so, reasons for not initiating similar action against such schools also?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) and (b) The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has reported that lease deed of Bal Bharti Public School, Pinnacle School, Gyan Mandir School and Rukmani Devi Public School were cancelled as they were only providing free education ranging from 0-1% to the weaker sections of society. Physical possession of Land could not be taken over from these schools due to stay orders granted by the Hon'ble High Court.

(c) The Government of NCT of Delhi had reported to DDA the schools not complying with the condition of providing freeship to weaker sections of society.

(d) DDA has further reported that it was considered that it would not be prudent to cancel lease deed of large number of schools as it would affect large number of students. Further, Hon'ble High Court in a Public Interest Litigation case titled Social Jurist Vs Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi has directed Delhi Government to evolve a consensus among schools for implementation of the freeship.

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†3023 SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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